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SUBJ: PREPCOM FOR SEABED ARMS CONTROL TREATY REVIEW CONFERENCE:
FINNISH CANDIDACY

REF: A. GENEVA 1132, B. GENEVA 1021

1. SUMMARY. FINNISH AMB RAJOKOSKI SAW USREP TO CCD
(MEYERS) AT HIS REQUEST AFTERNOON FEB 18, IN LIGHT OF
USREP'S EARLIER PARTICIPATION IN SBT/PREPCOM. REFERRING
TO DISCUSSION REPORTED REF (B), RAJAKOSKI SAID HE WISHED
TO MAKE CLEAR GOF WAS NOT PRESSING PASTINEN PRESIDENCY
FOR SEABED REVIEW CONFERENCE; GOF WAS WILLING, OF COURSE,
TO HAVE PASTINEN SERVE AS REVCON PRESIDENT BUT BELIEVED
THAT KEY TO THIS ISSUE WAS ATTITUDE OF US. HE REQUESTED
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INDICATION OF US VIEWS AS REASONABLY EARLY AS FEASIBLE.
USREP, WHILE PAYING RESPECTS TO PASTINEN'S SKILLS, SAID
HE WOULD SEEK WASHINGTON VIEWS AND ADVISE RAJAKOSKI.
END SUMMARY.

2. AT HIS REQUEST, FINNISH AMB RAJAKOSKI MET WITH US
CCD REP AT USMISSION AFTERNOON OF FEB 18, NOTING SPECI-

FICALLY THAT HIS VISIT WAS IN TERMS OF US REP'S PREVIOUS PARTICIPATION IN SEABED PREPCOM, SINCE QUESTION INVOLVED WAS CANDIDACY OF FINNISH UN AMB PASTINEN AS CHAIRMAN OF SEABED REVIEW CONFERENCE COMMENCING JUNE 20. RAJAKOSKI SAID HE WISHED TO MAKE CLEAR HIS GOVERNMENT WAS WILLING MAKE PASTINEN AVAILABLE TO BE PRESIDENT OF WHAT MIGHT WELL BE DIFFICULT CONFERENCE, BUT THAT GOF WAS NOT WAGING STRONG CAMPAIGN TO ADVANCE PASTINEN'S CANDIDACY, AND INDEED HOPED THAT THERE WOULD NOT BE A DIFFICULT CONTEST. IN THIS REGARD HE PAID RESPECTS TO POLISH REP WYZNER'S COMPETENCE AND OBJECTIVITY. HE SAID THAT IT WAS CLEAR KEY TO THIS QUESTION WAS ATTITUDE OF US, AND ASKED USREP TO CONVEY THESE THOUGHTS TO WASHINGTON. USREP PROMISED THAT HE WOULD SEEK ADVICE AND BE BACK IN TOUCH WITH RAJOKSKI.

3. COMMENT: WHILE RAJOKOSKI DID NOT EXPAND ON QUESTION OF ATTITUDE OF VARIOUS UN MEMBER STATES TOWARD PASTINEN CANDIDACY, HE DID NOTE THAT FINNS WERE WELL AWARE PASTINEN'S PERFORMANCE AT LAST UNGA, PARTICULARLY IN TERMS OF HIS HELPING GUIDE THE ENMOD TREATY RESOLUTION TO SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION, HAD AROUSED ANTAGONISMS ON PART OF SOME NON-ALIGNED DELEGATIONS. HE IS PROBABLY AWARE OF CANADIAN REP'S PERSONAL VIEWS ON POSSIBLE ADVANTAGE IN HAVING EASTERN EUROPEAN AS REVCONF PRESIDENT, AS DESCRIBED REF (A). HENCE, USDEL ASSUMES THIS DIRECT APPROACH IS DESIGNED TO ELICIT MORE SPECIFIC US REACTION THAN HERETOFORE ENVINCED. HE DID SAY FINNS WOULD BE UNHAPPY IF US, FOR PRACTICAL REASONS, SAW LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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BENEFITS IN HAVING WYZNER AS REVCON PRESIDENT. ACTION REQUESTED: DEPARTMENT'S REACTION TO FINNISH REP'S REQUEST, AS EARLY AS FEASIBLE. CATTO

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